Butler County

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Community Health Needs Assessment Snapshot

Promote Healthy Behaviors

Problems/Needs:

• Rank #1: Percentage of overweight/obese population is 65%. The rate for heart disease is 230.9. Both health issues are higher than the State of lowa rate.

Prevent Injuries

Problems/Needs:

• Based on Community Survey, county residents identified the riskiest behavior to be underage drinking. Iowa Youth Behavioral Survey identified that 3% of Butler County youth have driven a car after using alcohol 1-2 days in the last 30 days.

Protect Against Environmental Hazards

Problems/Needs:

 Based on the Community Survey, county residents identified the top environmental health issue as safe drinking water. During 2009 the lowa DNR identified over 15 violations in several public water supplies. Violations included total coli form and coli form fecal.

Prevent Epidemics and the Spread of Disease

Problems/Needs:

• The community health needs assessment and currently collected State and Federal data did not show a problem in this area. However, the immunization rate that is currently collected only includes public providers and not the private sector. Therefore, our childhood immunization rates are not representative of the population and are inconclusive.

Prepare for, Respond to, and Recover from Public Health Emergencies

Problems/Needs:

• Based on community survey, only 48.7% of Butler County residents are prepared for a natural or man-made disaster. In addition, only 17.8% of families identify having a disaster supply kit in the home.

Strengthen the Public Health Infrastructure

Problems/Needs:

• Butler County has no public based transportation system to transport residents to medical appointments and basic necessities of living.

Community Health Improvement Plan

		Who is	When?
Goal	Strategies	responsible?	(Timeline)
Increase the percentage of county residents who identify that they are prepared for a natural or man-made disaster from 48.7% to 75% by 2012.	Agency staff and preparedness partners will brainstorm	Public Health	1/2011
	additional media venues and methods for distribution of disaster	Agency Director	
	preparedness information	and staff	
	Staff will have a booth at the Butler County Fair and will	Public Health	6/2011
	disseminate county disaster preparedness information and bags.	Agency Director and staff	
	Staff will have a booth at the Butler County KidFest and will	Public Health	9/2011
	disseminate county disaster preparedness information and bags.	Agency Director	
		and staff	
	Monthly news articles will be developed and placed on the Butler	Public Health	Ongoing
	County website, local newspapers.	Agency Director	
	A family preparedness presentation will be developed and	Public Health	
	utilized for various businesses such as county Headstarts.	Agency Director	
		and staff	
	Families attending preparedness presentations will be given a	Public Health	Beginning 1/2011
	disaster preparedness bag.	Agency Director	
		and staff	
	Family disaster preparedness information will be distributed	Public Health	Beginning 1/2011
	through the agency Facebook page.	Agency Director	
		and staff	
		Public Health	
	A family/personal preparedness billboard will be placed in	Agency Director	
	county.	and staff	5/1/11
	Resurvey county residence to determine preparedness for	Public Agency	10/2012
	natural and man-made disasters.	Director	